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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 39 – 40 as follows:

39. {NEW} A media stream system which processes plural media streams, each media stream comprising packets of media information, the system having:

plural processors, each of the plural processors executing at least one of plural types of media stream processing functions;

a switch function which routes the packets of the plural media streams to a sequence of the plural processors whereby the plural types of media stream processing functions are sequentially performed relative to the packets;

wherein a packet size for the packets is chosen to lower overhead load on at least one of the plural processors without causing undue delay for a packet awaiting processing by the at least one of the plural processors, and wherein the overhead load includes operations of resuming and suspending execution of a media stream processing function for packets of different media streams.

40. {NEW} A method of handling plural media streams, each media stream comprising packets of media information, the method comprising:

executing plural types of media stream processing functions at plural processors;

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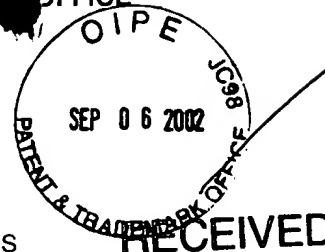
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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment 40 minus highest number
previously paid for 38 (at least 20) = 2 x \$ 18.00 \$ 36.00

Independent claims after amendment 5 minus highest number
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If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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